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Dear reviewer:

OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON THE LITTLE DEER PROJECT

The Forest Service is preparing an environmental assessment (EA) for the proposed Little Deer Project, and we are asking for your participation in project scoping. The Little Deer Project was developed to address post-fire forest product retrieval and roadside hazard removal for the purpose of public health and safety and resource protection. Proposal information is available on Klamath National Forest's project webpage at: <http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/fs-usda-pop.php/?project=45313>.

The scoping comment period for this project is 14 days due to the time-sensitive nature of post-fire project implementation. Comments received within the 14 days following the publication of the Legal Notice in the Siskiyou Daily News are assured consideration in the next phase of project planning. Publication of the Legal Notice is anticipated on September 22, 2014. From this anticipated date scoping will end on **October 6, 2014**.

This project is subject to comment pursuant to 36 CFR 218, Subparts A and B. Only those who submit timely project-specific written comments during a public comment period are eligible to file an objection. Individuals or representatives of an entity submitting comments must sign the comments or verify identity upon request. Comments received, including the names and addresses of those who comment, will be considered part of the public record on this proposal and will be available for public inspection (40 CFR 1501.7 and 1508.22; Forest Service Handbook 1909.15, Section 21).

We are particularly interested in hearing about any potential issues, which are defined as points of discussion, dispute, or debate about the effects of the proposed action. It is important that reviewers provide their comments at such times and in such a manner that they are useful to the agency's preparation of the EA. Your participation will help the interdisciplinary team develop effective, issue-driven alternatives and mitigations to the proposed action as needed. Commenters should supply full citations to all referenced literature and discuss their relevancy to the project. The Forest Service reserves the right to request copies from commenters of any literature cited but not provided with comment letters.

Submit electronic comments at the Klamath National Forest's project webpage:
<http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/fs-usda-pop.php/?project=45313> by selecting the "Comment on



Project” link in the “Get Connected” group at the right hand side of the project webpage. Put the project name in the subject line; attachments may be in the following formats: plain text (.txt), rich text format (.rtf), Word (.doc, .docx), or portable document format (.pdf). Citations are required for all referenced literature in scoping comment letters; if no citations are provided the Forest Service reserves the right to request copies of any literature cited.

Written comments can be submitted via fax (530) 398-5749 or mailed to Goosenest Ranger District, ATTN: Jamie Kolesar, Goosenest Ranger District, 37805 Hwy 97, Macdoel, CA, or hand-delivered during normal business hours (8am to 4:30pm Monday-Friday, excluding holidays). For oral comments or for more project information contact team lead Jamie Kolesar at (530) 398-5730 or jkolesar@fs.fed.us.

Thank you for your interest in this project.

Sincerely,



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